

PATENT APPLICATION
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q79433

Takashi IMAMURA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/759,115

Group Art Unit: 2624

Confirmation No.: 6670

Examiner: Tsai, Tsung Yin

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For: PROSPECTIVE ABNORMAL SHADOW DETECTING SYSTEM

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please review and enter the following remarks summarizing the interview conducted on
March 13, 2008:

REMARKS

An Examiner's Interview Summary Record (PTO-413) was attached with the PTO
Communication dated March 20, 2008.

During the interview, the following was discussed:

1. Brief description of exhibits or demonstration: none
2. Identification of claims discussed: Claims 1-2 and 27
3. Identification of art discussed: Matsubara et al.
4. Identification of principal proposed amendments: none
5. Brief Identification of principal arguments: Applicants submitted that Matsubara

discloses a primary-label region extracting means which extracts regions from original images,

not binary images, as recited in claim 1. Further, with regard to claim 27, Applicants wished to clarify that claim 27 has not yet been entered into the application, and that claim 27 does not constitute new matter.

6. Indication of other pertinent matters discussed: none

7. Results of Interview: The SPE and Examiner indicated that pending the nature of the next filing, a thorough examination of claim 1 in light of Matsubara will be undertaken. Overall, an agreement was not reached.

It is respectfully submitted that the instant STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.2 and 1.133 and MPEP §713.04.

It is believed that no petition or fee is required. However, if the USPTO deems otherwise, Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Respectfully submitted,

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